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TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

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AMCONSUL JERUSALEM

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SUBJECT: PROPOSAL FOR U. S. BRANCH BANK IN RAMALLAH

REF: STATE 109009

WALLACE OF EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK WAS AGAIN IN TOUCH WITH
DEPT JUNE 14. DEPTOFF INFORMED HIM DEPT POSITION WAS THAT
IT WOULD NEITHER ENDORSE NOR POSE OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED
BRANCH; OUR OWN OFFICIAL POLICY RE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES
MILITATED AGAINST FORMER (WALLACE SAID HE DID NOT SEEK
ENDORSEMENT IN ANY CASE), BUT WE COULD NOT OBJECT TO WHAT
SEEMS LEGITIMATE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY. WE REVIEWED WITH
HIM SOME OF PRACTICAL PROBLEMS (AMMAN 3117 AND TEL AVIV
4497) AND RECOMMENDED, THAT IF HE DECIDES TO CONTINUE
EXPLORING IDEA, HE MAKE SURE ALL CONCERNED PARTIES ARE
CONSULTED AND STAY IN TOUCH WITH EMBASSIES TEL AVIV AND
AMMAN AND CONGEN JERUSALEM. WALLACE INDICATED THAT FOR
STARTER HE WOULD BE TALKING TO EMBASSY AMMAN. HE WOULD
THEN DECIDE WHAT TO DO. WE SAID WE THOUGHT THIS GOOD
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